

Kentucky Retirement Systems

Statement of Disclosure

Placement Agents

I. Purpose

This Policy sets forth the circumstances under which the Kentucky Retirement Systems ("KRS") shall require the disclosure of payments and fees in connection with KRS' investments in or through External Managers (as defined herein), broker/dealers, Placement Agents (as defined herein) and those having or conducting business with KRS. This Policy is intended to apply broadly to all of the types of investment advisors with whom KRS conducts or potentially conducts business with including general partners, managers, investment managers and sponsors of hedge funds, funds of funds, private equity funds, real estate funds, infrastructure funds, as well as investment managers retained pursuant to a contract. KRS requires broad, timely, and annual updated disclosures of relationships, compensation and fees. The goal of this Policy is to bring transparency to placement agent activity in connection with KRS' investments and help ensure that KRS' investment decisions are made solely on the merits of the investment opportunity and in a manner consistent with the responsibilities of the Board of Trustees and individuals who owe a fiduciary duty to KRS.

II. Objectives

The role and function of Placement Agents are to provide sales and marketing services to investment management firms. Placement Agents exist because, with the exception of the largest firms (i.e., private equity and hedge fund general partnerships), many of these investment managers are not equipped to raise their investment funds independently. Most External Managers do not have the resources internally to access the capital markets. They require services such as crafting presentations, drafting, proofing and distributing private placement memorandums, sorting the potential universe of limited partners and determining how to access those limited partners, arranging meetings with the limited partners, handling follow-up meetings, assisting in the due diligence process including managing on-site due diligence meetings, and the closing process.

External investment managers in both the public and private markets use Placement Agents to assist them raise capital from various sources. Therefore, the Kentucky Retirement Systems' objectives are:

1. To ensure that KRS' investment decisions are consistent with KRS' overall Investment Policy Statements
2. To supplement the due diligence and information available to KRS Board Members, Staff, and Consultants when evaluating an investment opportunity
3. To prevent impropriety, conflicts of interest, and/or the appearance of improprieties and/or conflicts of interest
4. Provide transparency and confidence in KRS investment decision-making and process

III. Application

This Policy applies to all agreements with External Managers that are entered into after the date this Policy is adopted. This Policy also applies to existing agreements with External Managers if, after the date this Policy is adopted, the term of the agreement is extended, there is any increased commitment of funds by KRS pursuant to the existing agreement or there is a material amendment to the substantive terms of an existing agreement, including the fees or compensation payable to the External Manager.

IV. Responsibilities:

A. External Manager's Responsibilities

Prior to KRS investing with any manager, KRS Staff shall obtain a written representation from the investment manager, in a form acceptable to KRS' Legal Office, stating that the investment manager has not used a placement agent in connection with the KRS investment opportunity, or if the manager has used a placement agent, it will disclose the following to KRS:

- The name of the placement agent
- The fee paid or payable to the placement agent
- Representation that the fee is the sole obligation of the investment manager and not that of KRS or the limited partnership
- Current or former Kentucky Officials (federal, state, and local government), KRS Board of Trustees members, KRS employees, or consultants to KRS that are receiving any fees or compensation from the External Manager and/or placement agent
- The names of any current or former Kentucky elected or appointed government officials (federal, state, and local government) KRS Board of Trustees members, employees, or consultants of KRS, or any other person, if any, who suggested the retention of the placement agent
- Evidence of the regulatory agencies, if any, in any Federal, state or foreign jurisdiction the placement agent or any of its affiliates are registered with, such as the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), FINRA, or any similar regulatory agency
- A resume for each officer, partner or principal of the Placement Agent detailing the person's education, professional designations, regulatory licenses and investment and work experience
- A description of the services to be performed by the Placement Agent
- A statement whether the Placement Agent, or any of its affiliates, is registered as a lobbyist with any and all Kentucky state and local (county) governments
- A statement by the External Manager and/or placement agent representing and warranting the accuracy of the information provided to KRS regarding the Statement of Disclosure in any final written agreement with a continuing obligation to update any such information within 10 business days of any change in the information.

In the event a placement agent is expected to receive remuneration for a KRS investment, KRS Staff will notify the Investment Committee in the memorandum discussing the recommended/approved investment. If a manager breaches the Policy, Staff will notify the Investment Committee as soon as practicable.

B. KRS Staff Responsibilities

- Providing the public with disclosure by posting a copy of this Policy on KRS' website
- Implementing this Policy for KRS
- Providing regular disclosure updates to the KRS Investment Committee and the Board of Trustees.

All parties responsible for implementing, monitoring and complying with this Policy shall consider the spirit as well as the literal expression of the Policy.

V. Conflict of Interest

All persons and entities contracting with KRS shall certify that they are legally capable of entering into a binding contract and authorized to do so; that they are not nor shall be in violation of any Kentucky law, statute or regulation pertaining to a conflict of interest including, but not limited to, KRS 121.056; and that they are not nor shall be in violation of any provision of KRS Chapter 11A or any regulation promulgated thereunder, or any law or regulation pertaining to the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance and the reporting requirements thereof.

Glossary of Terms

KRS Vehicle

A partnership, limited liability company or other investment vehicle in which KRS is the investor.

Consultant

Consultant refers to individuals or firms, and includes Key Personnel of Consultant firms, who are contractually retained or have been appointed to KRS to provide investment advice to KRS but who do not exercise investment discretion.

External Manager

An asset management firm that is seeking to be, or has been, retained by KRS or by a KRS Vehicle to manage a portfolio of assets (including securities) for a fee. The External Manager usually has full discretion to manage KRS assets, consistent with investment management guidelines provided by KRS and fiduciary responsibility.

Placement Agent

Any person or entity hired, engaged or retained by or acting on behalf of an External Manager or on behalf of another Placement Agent as a finder, solicitor, marketer, consultant, broker or other intermediary to raise money or investments from or to obtain access to KRS, directly or indirectly, including without limitation through a KRS Vehicle.

Signatories

As Adopted By The Investment Committee

Date: 8/6/09

Signature: Vince Lang

Vince Lang

Chair, Investment Committee

As Adopted By The Board of Trustees

Date: 8-20-09

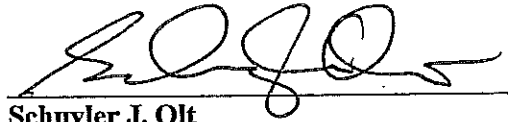
Signature: Randy J. Overstreet

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Chair, Board of Trustees

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Approved as to Form and Legality:

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